



# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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## **Recycling Helps Improve City Recreation Facilities**

*City's Environmental Services Department Donates \$5,827*

**SAN DIEGO, CA**— Seven City of San Diego recreation sites received a \$5,827 check from the City's Environmental Services Department (ESD) to help improve the facilities. The donation, presented May 19, 2004 at the North Clairemont Recreation Center, represents one year of revenue generated from the sale of recyclable materials collected at the San Diego Park and Recreation locations.

Visitors deposited 166,890 pounds of recyclable plastic and glass beverage containers along with aluminum cans, newspapers, cardboard, office paper, catalogs, magazines and mixed paper during the 12-month period at the Cadman, Kearny Mesa, Linda Vista, North Clairemont, Serra Mesa, South Clairemont, and Tecolote recreation centers. The facilities are among the 43 drop-off sites within the Park and Recreation system currently participating in ESD recycling programs.

Since 1992, the program has diverted approximately 14,000 tons of recyclables from disposal at the Miramar Landfill and earned \$667,000 in revenue from the sale of recyclables. The donations have helped purchase items at the Park and Recreation facilities such as jerseys and trophies for youth leagues, gymnastics mats, tennis court nets, table tennis equipment, benches for basketball courts, brochures, and funded special events such as spring egg hunts and Halloween carnivals.

For information about the City's recycling programs, please call the Environmental Services Department at (858) 694-7000 or visit <http://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/>. For general information about Park and Recreation centers, call the Park and Recreation Department's Public Information office at (619) 525-8219, or go to <http://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/index.shtml>.

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